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Dear DOJ

The fact that this government has backed down from properly seeking a strong settlement from Microsoft, in view of the finding that it has promulgated monopolistic behavior is distressing.

In my view, and that of MANY literate computer professionals, what Microsoft has wrought on the Country, World, and the Computer business at large is nothing more than a thinly -veiled attempt to create a monopolistic stranglehold on how we compute, and what we compute with.

If there needs be any further evidence about how ineffective Microsoft is at innovation, and how little they care about anything other than Market share, it would be this:

Their Latest "state of the art" operating SYstem Windows XP, is so full of security breaches and bugs that it makes matters WORSE rather than better. And they KNOW it!

In addition, they are patching these flaws so quickly and so often that it is virtually impossible for IT professional to maintain a stable computing environment uin their businesses.

I, for one, CATEGORICALLY REFUSE to operate their software, and avoid using the Windows operating system completely. Many IT professional are now switching to UNIX, Mac OS X and LINUX as a stable alternative.

i wish that DOJ would SERIOUSLY REVIEW their proposed settlement (which has been watered down significantly since, coincidentally, a REPUBLICAN administratin took power) as it DOES NOT provide protection for the American Computing Public, and, in fact, lays the way clear for Microsoft to continue to promulgate Monopolistic control of the way we work - Iff you need more proof, look seriously as the .NET Strategy, and their abusive software upgrade "purchase" policies.

I am disappointed with DOJ being prepared to THROW AWAY the ONLY opportunity we have to remedy Microsoft's egregious business practices, and to properly punish them.

Please do the right thing - since you won't break them up,

at least LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD so they can no longer  
usurp INNOVATION from third parties and call it WINDOWS.  
LOOK AT WHAT THEY DID TO NETSCAPE!!!!

Mad, you're damn right I'm mad - I pay your salaries!  
Now please do the will of the people, NOT the will of the  
politicians. WE WANT THIS ABUSER PUNISHED!

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